

**U.S. District Court  
California Northern District (San Francisco)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 3:18-cv-03731-EMC**

Chetal v. U.S. Department of Interior et al  
Assigned to: Judge Edward M. Chen  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 06/22/2018  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

**Plaintiff**

**Shyam K. Chetal**

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**Defendant**

**Ryan Zinke**  
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**Defendant**

**U.S. Bureau of Land Management**

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**Defendant**

**Michael D. Need**  
*Acting Director*

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**Defendant**

**Kim Liebhauser**  
*District Manager*

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**Defendant**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
06/22/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke (Filing fee \$ 400, Receipt #44611015428.). Filed by Shyam K. Chetal. Consent/Declination due by 7/6/2018. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 2, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 3, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 4, # <u>5</u> Exhibit 5, # <u>6</u> Exhibit 6, # <u>7</u> Exhibit 7, # <u>8</u> civil cove sheet, # <u>9</u> receipt)(cpS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 6/22/2018) Modified on 6/22/2018 (cpS, COURT STAFF). (Entered: 06/22/2018)
06/22/2018	<u>2</u>	Summons Issued as to Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Stiles, # <u>2</u> Need)(cpS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 6/22/2018) (Entered: 06/22/2018)
06/22/2018	<u>3</u>	<b>Initial Case Management Scheduling Order with ADR Deadlines: Case Management Statement due by 9/13/2018. Initial Case Management Conference set for 9/20/2018 11:00 AM in San Francisco, Courtroom C, 15th Floor. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Standing Order, # <u>2</u> Standing Order for All Judges)(cpS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 6/22/2018) (Entered: 06/22/2018)</b>
06/28/2018	<u>4</u>	CONSENT/DECLINATION to Proceed Before a US Magistrate Judge by Shyam K. Chetal.. (fabS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 6/28/2018) (Entered: 06/28/2018)
07/02/2018	<u>5</u>	CLERK'S NOTICE of Impending Reassignment to U.S. District Judge. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service) (ejkS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 7/2/2018) (Entered: 07/02/2018)
07/03/2018	<u>6</u>	<b>ORDER REASSIGNING CASE. Case reassigned to Judge Edward M. Chen for all further proceedings. Magistrate Judge Laurel Beeler no longer assigned to the case. This case is assigned to a judge who participates in the Cameras in the Courtroom Pilot Project. See General Order 65 and <a href="http://cand.uscourts.gov/cameras">http://cand.uscourts.gov/cameras</a>. Signed by Executive Committee on 7/3/18. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice of Eligibility for Video Recording)(as, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 7/3/2018) (Entered: 07/03/2018)</b>
07/09/2018	<u>7</u>	Summons Issued as to Ryan Zinke. (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 7/9/2018) (Entered: 07/09/2018)
07/11/2018	<u>8</u>	<b>CASE MANAGEMENT SCHEDULING ORDER: Initial Case Management Conference set for 10/2/2018 09:30 AM in San Francisco, Courtroom 05, 17th Floor. Case Management Statement due by 9/27/2018. Signed by Judge Edward M. Chen on 7/11/18. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(bpfS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 7/11/2018) (Entered: 07/11/2018)</b>
07/26/2018	<u>9</u>	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Shyam K. Chetal. Kim Liebhauser served on 7/9/2018, answer due 7/30/2018; Pamela J. Stiles served on 7/9/2018, answer due 7/30/2018. (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 7/26/2018) (Entered: 07/30/2018)
08/02/2018	<u>10</u>	Summons Issued as to U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/2/2018) (Entered: 08/07/2018)
08/20/2018	<u>11</u>	AFFIDAVIT in Support of Motion for Order Requiring the U.S. Bureau of Land Management to File Answer by Shyam K. Chetal. (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/20/2018) (Entered: 08/22/2018)
09/04/2018	<u>12</u>	<b>ORDER Re <u>11</u> Plaintiff's Motion for an Order Requiring U.S. Bureau of Land Management to File Answer. Signed by Judge Edward M. Chen on 9/4/2018. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(emcsec, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 9/4/2018) (Entered: 09/04/2018)</b>
09/13/2018	<u>20</u>	NOTICE filed by Shyam K. Chetal (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 9/13/2018) (Entered: 10/05/2018)
09/14/2018	<u>13</u>	ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION to Continue Initial Case Management Conference filed by Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke. Responses due by 9/18/2018. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration, # <u>2</u> Proposed Order, # <u>3</u> Certificate/Proof of

		Service)(Norris, Raven) (Filed on 9/14/2018) Modified on 9/17/2018 (slhS, COURT STAFF). (Entered: 09/14/2018)
09/17/2018	<u>14</u>	<b>Order by Judge Edward M. Chen granting <u>13</u> Administrative Motion to Continue Initial Case Management Conference. Case Management Statement due by 12/13/2018. Initial Case Management Conference set for 12/20/2018 09:30 AM in San Francisco, Courtroom 05, 17th Floor. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(afmS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 9/17/2018) (Entered: 09/17/2018)</b>
09/20/2018	<u>17</u>	MOTION to Vacate Order filed by Shyam K. Chetal. Responses due by 10/4/2018. Replies due by 10/11/2018. (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 9/20/2018) (Entered: 09/27/2018)
09/27/2018	<u>15</u>	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Shyam K. Chetal. Michael D. Need, U.S. Bureau of Land Management; U.S. Department of Interior and Ryan Zinke served on 7/2/2018, answer due 8/31/2018. (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 9/27/2018) (Entered: 09/27/2018)
09/27/2018	<u>16</u>	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Shyam K. Chetal. U.S. Attorney served on 9/15/18 (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 9/27/2018) (Entered: 09/27/2018)
09/28/2018	<u>18</u>	<b>Order by Judge Edward M. Chen denying <u>17</u> Motion to Vacate. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(afmS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 9/28/2018) (Entered: 09/28/2018)</b>
10/01/2018	<u>19</u>	MOTION to Expedite Discovery Under 5 USC Sec 552(a)(6)(E) filed by Shyam K. Chetal. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Part 2)(slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/1/2018) (Entered: 10/04/2018)
10/09/2018	<u>21</u>	Declaration in Support of Motion for preliminary injunction filed by Shyam K. Chetal. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1-7, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 8 part 1, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 8 part 2)(slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/9/2018) (Entered: 10/10/2018)
10/11/2018	<u>22</u>	MOTION to Dismiss <i>Plaintiff's Complaint as Moot or alternatively for failure to state a claim pursuant to Rule 12(b)(1) and 12(b)(6)</i> filed by Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke. Motion Hearing set for 11/15/2018 01:30 PM before Judge Edward M. Chen. Responses due by 10/25/2018. Replies due by 11/1/2018. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration, # <u>2</u> Exhibit A-I, # <u>3</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(Norris, Raven) (Filed on 10/11/2018) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
10/11/2018	<u>23</u>	Proposed Order re <u>22</u> MOTION to Dismiss <i>Plaintiff's Complaint as Moot or alternatively for failure to state a claim pursuant to Rule 12(b)(1) and 12(b)(6)</i> by Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke. (Norris, Raven) (Filed on 10/11/2018) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
10/19/2018	<u>24</u>	OPPOSITION/RESPONSE (re <u>19</u> MOTION to Expedite ) <i>Defendants' Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion to Expedite Discovery</i> filed by Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration, # <u>2</u> Exhibit, # <u>3</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(Norris, Raven) (Filed on 10/19/2018) (Entered: 10/19/2018)
10/19/2018	<u>25</u>	Defendants' OPPOSITION to <u>21</u> Plaintiff's Declaration in Support of Motion for Preliminary Injunction by Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(Norris, Raven) (Filed on 10/19/2018) Modified on 10/23/2018 (slhS, COURT STAFF). (Entered: 10/19/2018)
10/22/2018	<u>26</u>	<b>ORDER by Judge Edward M. Chen Denying <u>19</u> Plaintiff's Motion to Expedite Discovery. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(emcsec, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/22/2018) (Entered: 10/22/2018)</b>
10/30/2018	<u>27</u>	OPPOSITION/RESPONSE (re <u>22</u> MOTION to Dismiss <i>Plaintiff's Complaint as Moot or alternatively for failure to state a claim pursuant to Rule 12(b)(1) and 12(b)(6)</i> ) filed by Shyam K. Chetal. (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/30/2018) (Entered: 10/31/2018)

11/01/2018	<u>28</u>	REPLY (re <u>22</u> MOTION to Dismiss <i>Plaintiff's Complaint as Moot or alternatively for failure to state a claim pursuant to Rule 12(b)(1) and 12(b)(6)</i> ) <i>In Support of Defendants Motion to Dismiss</i> filed by Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(Norris, Raven) (Filed on 11/1/2018) (Entered: 11/01/2018)
11/05/2018	<u>29</u>	<b>ORDER Re <u>22</u> Defendants' Motion to Dismiss. Motion Hearing set for 11/15/2018 01:30 PM has been VACATED. Plaintiff may file a supplemental brief by 11/19/2018. Defendants may file responsive briefs by 11/26/2018. Signed by Judge Edward M. Chen on 11/5/2018. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(emcsec, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 11/5/2018) (Entered: 11/05/2018)</b>
11/08/2018	<u>30</u>	RESPONSE to Defendant's <u>28</u> Reply in Support (re <u>22</u> MOTION to Dismiss <i>Plaintiff's Complaint as Moot or alternatively for failure to state a claim pursuant to Rule 12(b)(1) and 12(b)(6)</i> ) filed by Shyam K. Chetal. (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 11/8/2018) (Entered: 11/08/2018)
11/14/2018	<u>32</u>	MOTION for Extension of Civil Local Rule 7–3 Filing Deadlines for Non–ECF User for 30 Days filed by Shyam K. Chetal. (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 11/14/2018) (Entered: 11/15/2018)
11/15/2018	<u>31</u>	ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION continue initial case management conference and extend supplemental brief deadlines filed by Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke. Responses due by 11/19/2018. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration, # <u>2</u> Proposed Order, # <u>3</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(Norris, Raven) (Filed on 11/15/2018) (Entered: 11/15/2018)
11/16/2018	<u>33</u>	<b>Order by Judge Edward M. Chen granting <u>32</u> Motion for Extension of Time to File. Plaintiff's supplemental brief due 12/19/2018; defendant's supplemental brief due 1/7/2019. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(afmS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 11/16/2018) (Entered: 11/16/2018)</b>
11/16/2018	<u>34</u>	<b>Order by Judge Edward M. Chen granting <u>31</u> Administrative Motion to Continue Initial Case Management Conference and Request to Extend Supplemental Brief Deadlines. Initial Case Management Conference set for 1/17/2019 09:30 AM in San Francisco, Courtroom 05, 17th Floor. Case Management Statement due by 1/10/2019. Supplemental briefing: plaintiff's supplemental brief due 12/19/2018; defendant's supplemental brief due 1/7/2019. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service) (afmS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 11/16/2018) (Entered: 11/16/2018)</b>
11/27/2018	<u>35</u>	MOTION to Require Defendants to File Vaughn Index re Ten Sleep Gypsum Mine filed by Shyam K. Chetal. Responses due by 12/11/2018. Replies due by 12/18/2018. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Part 2)(slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 11/27/2018) (Entered: 11/30/2018)
12/11/2018	<u>36</u>	OPPOSITION/RESPONSE (re <u>35</u> MOTION to Require Defendants to File Vaughn Index re Ten Sleep Gypsum Mine ) filed by Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(Norris, Raven) (Filed on 12/11/2018) (Entered: 12/11/2018)
12/13/2018	<u>37</u>	STIPULATION WITH PROPOSED ORDER <i>to Extend Plaintiff's Supplemental Brief Deadline and to Continue CMC</i> filed by Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration, # <u>2</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(Norris, Raven) (Filed on 12/13/2018) (Entered: 12/13/2018)
12/14/2018	<u>38</u>	<b>Order by Judge Edward M. Chen granting <u>37</u> Stipulation to Extend Plaintiff's Supplemental Brief Deadline and to Continue CMC. Supplemental briefing is extended as follows: Plaintiff's supplemental brief due 1/22/2019; Defendants' supplemental brief due 2/5/2019. Case Management Conference set for 1/17/2019 is VACATED and RESCHEDULED for 2/28/2019 at 9:30 a.m. Joint CMC statement due 2/21/2019. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(afmS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 12/14/2018) (Entered: 12/14/2018)</b>



12/14/2018		Set Deadlines/Hearings: Case Management Statement due by 2/21/2019. Initial Case Management Conference set for 2/28/2019 09:30 AM in San Francisco, Courtroom 05, 17th Floor. (afmS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 12/14/2018) (Entered: 12/14/2018)
01/16/2019	<u>39</u>	STIPULATION WITH PROPOSED ORDER <i>to extend briefing schedule and continue CMC</i> filed by Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration, # <u>2</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(Norris, Raven) (Filed on 1/16/2019) (Entered: 01/16/2019)
01/18/2019	<u>40</u>	<b>Order by Judge Edward M. Chen granting <u>39</u> Joint Stipulation to Extend Supplemental Brief Deadline and to Continue Initial Case Management Conference. Joint Case Management Statement due by 3/21/2019. Initial Case Management Conference set for 2/28/2019 is vacated and rescheduled for 3/28/2019 09:30 AM in San Francisco, Courtroom 05, 17th Floor. Supplemental briefs: plaintiff's brief due 2/22/2019; defendant's brief due 3/8/2019. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Certificate/Proof of Service) (afmS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 1/18/2019) (Entered: 01/18/2019)</b>
01/22/2019	<u>41</u>	Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment and OPPOSITION to Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment filed by Shyam K. Chetal. Responses due by 2/5/2019. Replies due by 2/12/2019. (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 1/22/2019) (Entered: 01/28/2019)
01/22/2019	<u>42</u>	Declaration in Support of <u>41</u> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment and in Opposition to Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment filed by Shyam K. Chetal. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Part 2)(Related document(s) <u>41</u> ) (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 1/22/2019) (Entered: 01/28/2019)
01/22/2019	<u>43</u>	MOTION for Renewed Discovery of Bureau of Land Management Pamela Stiles and for in Camera Review filed by Shyam K. Chetal. Responses due by 2/5/2019. Replies due by 2/12/2019. (slhS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 1/22/2019) (Entered: 01/28/2019)
03/08/2019	<u>44</u>	OPPOSITION/RESPONSE (re <u>41</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment, <u>43</u> MOTION Renewed Discovery of Bureau of Land Management Pamela Stiles and for in Camera Review, <u>22</u> MOTION to Dismiss <i>Plaintiff's Complaint as Moot or alternatively for failure to state a claim pursuant to Rule 12(b)(1) and 12(b)(6)</i> ) <i>Defendants Court Ordered Response and Opposition to Plaintiff's Cross Motion for Summary Judgment</i> filed by Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration, # <u>2</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(Norris, Raven) (Filed on 3/8/2019) (Entered: 03/08/2019)
03/08/2019	<u>45</u>	ADR Clerks Notice re: Non-Compliance with Court Order. The parties have failed to file an ADR Certification as required by the Initial Case Management Scheduling Order. Counsel shall comply promptly with the requirements of ADR L.R. 3-5(b) and shall file the ADR Certification. (cmf, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 3/8/2019) (Entered: 03/08/2019)
03/08/2019	<u>46</u>	Second ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION Request to Continue CMC <i>Unopposed Motion to Continue CMC</i> filed by Kim Liebhauser, Michael D. Need, Pamela J. Stiles, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of Interior, Ryan Zinke. Responses due by 3/12/2019. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration, # <u>2</u> Proposed Order, # <u>3</u> Certificate/Proof of Service)(Norris, Raven) (Filed on 3/8/2019) (Entered: 03/08/2019)